

## Clair L. Steenson

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Clair L. Steenson, 98, Groton, died Sunday, Oct. 13, 1991, at the Aberdeen Living Center.

His funeral was Friday, Oct. 18, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Groton, with the Rev. Raymond Mowry officiating.

Burial was in the Groton Catholic Cemetery with Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, in charge of arrangements.

A scriptural wake service was held at the funeral chapel with Deacon Harold Pardew officiating.

Clair L. Steenson was born May 14, 1893, to Hugh and Charlotte (Knott) Steenson at Minneapolis.

He married Marcella Reinert on January 12, 1916, at Minneapolis. They moved to Aberdeen in 1923 where he was the manager of Benson Optical Company for more than 40 years.

He was a member of the Rotary Club and Knights of Columbus, both of Aberdeen, and held many offices in both organizations. He moved to Groton in 1976 and became a resident of the Aberdeen Living Center in 1989.

Survivors include two sons, Richard Steenson, Forest City, Iowa and James Steenson, Kalispell, Mont.; three daughters, Mrs. Paul (Betty) Wagner, Hopkins, Minn., Mrs. John (Marilyn) Trojohn, Edina, Minn., and Mrs. Jack (Helen) Walter, Groton; one brother, DeVern Steenson, Batavia, Ill.; two sisters, Zora Steenson and Huberta Steenson, both of Tacoma, Wash.; 14 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, one daughter and one sister.

Casketbearers were Robert Steenson, John Trojohn, Mark Walter, Scott Walter, Kent Geppert and Michael Kuske.

Organist was Mrs. Ben Anderson and soloist was Patti Woods. Ushers were Dale McGannon and Alvin Abeln.